Choose the correct answer. Write a, b, or c in the box.

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| **1** Beautifully \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with gold and silver, this jacket is a very valuable item. | **a** decorating  **b** decorated  **c** decoration |  |
| **2** Whenever I wear this wonderful scarf, I get lots of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about it. | **a** compliments  **b** complements  **c** complaints |  |
| **3** Not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to upset my friend, I didn’t tell him that I didn’t like his new glasses. | **a** to want  **b** wanted  **c** wanting |  |
| **4** To be honest, I don’t really believe in love \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ first sight. | **a** on  **b** at  **c** with |  |
| **5** I wish you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to me when you’re feeling upset about something. | **a** talk  **b** did talk  **c** would talk |  |
| **6** Ruth and I met at university, so we go \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a long way. | **a** over  **b** out  **c** back |  |
| **7** I have really \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the extra English lessons I’ve been having. | **a** profited  **b** benefitted  **c** assisted |  |
| **8** What if you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your essay in the morning rather than working on it now? | **a** finished  **b** had finished  **c** finish |  |
| **9** The students organized the tournament \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, without any help from their teacher. | **a** itself  **b** ourselves  **c** themselves |  |
| **10** Our tennis coach said that we needed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the standard of our game. | **a** raise  **b** rise  **c** reach |  |
| **11** The people I play hockey with are my closest friends. I know they all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my back. | **a** get  **b** go  **c** have |  |
| **12** Our city’s new stadium, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in 2018, seats almost 80,000 people. | **a** opening  **b** opened  **c** was opened |  |
| **13** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Chris’s flat once before, we recognized his building when we arrived. | **a** Going  **b** Went  **c** Having been |  |
| **14** Are you enjoying living in Sydney? Do you see yourself \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ down there? | **a** shutting  **b** settling  **c** setting |  |
| **15** While Nathan often goes on holiday by himself, I don’t think I’d enjoy travelling \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | **a** lonely  **b** alone  **c** my own |  |
| **16** If only they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us they were going to Lille. They could have stayed with my cousin. | **a** had told  **b** told  **c** would tell |  |
| **17** I introduced Elena to my colleague Dan and they hit it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ straightaway. | **a** off  **b** out  **c** on |  |
| **18** My parents would rather you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your shoes off inside the house, please. | **a** take  **b** took  **c** would take |  |
| **19** Do you want to come and hang \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with us at the beach this weekend? | **a** along  **b** over  **c** out |  |
| **20** Thomas is very close to his father. They talk to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ other on the phone every day. | **a** one  **b** each  **c** the |  |

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| **21** My best friend used to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a crush on my sister, but she didn’t like him! | **a** make  **b** have  **c** feel |  |
| **22** I wish there \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a wider choice of cafés and restaurants where I live. | **a** was  **b** had been  **c** would be |  |
| **23** I’m not taking that new job. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, my current boss wouldn’t let me go! | **a** Besides  **b** On the side  **c** Beside |  |
| **24** What if they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your message? They would have driven here for no reason. | **a** didn’t get  **b** hadn’t got  **c** wouldn’t get |  |
| **25** They left in the middle of the party without \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ goodbye to anyone. | **a** saying  **b** say  **c** said |  |
| **26** We used to spend a lot of time together, but we’ve drifted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in recent years. | **a** along  **b** away  **c** apart |  |
| **27** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ very self-conscious, he stood up to give his presentation. | **a** To feel  **b** Feeling  **c** Felt |  |
| **28** I found that job very difficult because my boss and I didn’t \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ eye  to eye. | **a** look  **b** watch  **c** see |  |
| **29** I wish I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cycle to work, but it would take me far too long. | **a** would  **b** could  **c** did |  |
| **30** It’s important that you explain the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ behind your suggestions. | **a** rational  **b** rationale  **c** reasonable |  |
| **31** Agnieszka said she didn’t mind going to the meeting by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | **a** her  **b** her own  **c** herself |  |
| **32** The most important thing is that we listen carefully to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ another. | **a** one  **b** each  **c** every |  |
| **33** Benjamin’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to doing voluntary work is impressive. | **a** compromise  **b** comparison  **c** commitment |  |
| **34** I think it’s time you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ out to ask for some help with these IT problems. | **a** reach  **b** reached  **c** had reached |  |
| **35** Please reply to let us know whether you will be able to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the rehearsal. | **a** assist  **b** accept  **c** attend |  |
| **36** My brother met his girlfriend at a festival. They bonded \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their love of music. | **a** across  **b** over  **c** with |  |
| **37** I was looking at the advert \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the event earlier, but now I can’t find it. | **a** describing  **b** having described  **c** described |  |
| **38** Since \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his university course, Aaron has become much more confident. | **a** starting  **b** start  **c** to start |  |
| **39** My roommate in Madrid was a guy called Brandon. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on like a house on fire. | **a** went  **b** got  **c** took |  |
| **40** The architects presented two designs for the building. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ one was chosen. | **a** late  **b** later  **c** latter |  |